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U.S. ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY/STATE OF UTAH  
PUBLIC NOTICE OF AN AMENDMENT TO AN NPDES PERMIT

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PURPOSE OF PUBLIC NOTICE

THE PURPOSE OF THIS NOTICE IS TO STATE EPA'S INTENTION TO ISSUE AN AMENDMENT TO A NATIONAL POLLUTANT DISCHARGE ELIMINATION SYSTEM (NPDES) DISCHARGE PERMIT WHICH WAS ISSUED UNDER THE AUTHORITY OF SECTION 402 OF THE CLEAN WATER ACT OF 1977, AND THE INTENTION OF THE STATE OF UTAH TO CERTIFY COMPLIANCE THEREOF.

PERMIT INFORMATION

PERMITTEE NAME:

GETTY MINING COMPANY  
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ACT/045/017

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NPDES PERMIT NUMBER: UT-0023884

A public notice (Number UT-81-008) of EPA's intention to issue a permit to Getty Mineral Resources Company, Mercur Canyon Project, was distributed on September 16, 1981. Public comments and participation were invited and encouraged prior to October 16, 1981, and additional information was made available. Final determinations were made and on December 4, 1981, the Acting Director of the Enforcement Division, EPA, issued an NPDES permit to the permittee.

On November 1, 1982, a revised application and request for permit modification was received by this office from Getty Mining Company (formerly, Getty Mineral Resources Company). Therefore, the permit is being revised to reflect the current operator's name and to authorize five (5) new outfall locations. These new outfalls have resulted from changes in the waste water

handling system design but will not change the characteristics of the raw waste or the effluent limitations. Outfalls 004, 005 and 006 are spillways for sedimentation ponds which are being utilized to reduce the size of the pond associated with Outfall 001. All of the ponds will be designed to contain a 10-year, 24-hour runoff volume. Outfalls 007 and 008 are seepage pumpback ponds associated with the tailings pond and are designed for no discharge. In the event of a discharge, it will flow to Mercur Creek (unclassified ephemeral stream), tributary to Rush Valley.

#### EPA/STATE TENTATIVE DETERMINATIONS

Tentative determinations have been made by the EPA staff in cooperation with the State of Utah relative to the proposed amendment to be issued to the above-mentioned facility.

#### PUBLIC COMMENTS

Public comments are invited anytime prior to February 12, 1983. Comments may be directed to the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Region VIII, Water Management Division, Compliance Branch, 1860 Lincoln Street, Denver, Colorado 80295. All comments received prior to February 12, 1983, will be considered in the formulation of final determinations to be imposed on the permit.

If no objections are received within the specified thirty-day period, the Regional Administrator, EPA, will issue final determinations within sixty days of the date of this notice. A public hearing will be held if response to this notice indicates significant public interest.

#### FURTHER INFORMATION

Additional information may be obtained upon request by calling 303+837-4901, or by writing the aforementioned address.

The complete application, issued permit, permittee's request for an amendment and related documents are available for review and reproduction at the aforementioned address.

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